

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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INSTALLATION OF PETROL PUMPS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a): whether the petrol pumps in the country are not existing as per guidelines issued by the Government;
- (b): if so, whether any survey was conducted and the authority who conducted this survey;
- (c): if so, the facts thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d): the action taken by the Government against the officers found guilty of violation of Government issued guidelines at the time of installation of such petrol pumps?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d): Apart from some retail outlets (petrol pumps) allotted under the discretionary quota of the Government in the past, all the retail outlets that exist in the country have been allotted by the public sector oil companies in accordance with the guidelines issued by the oil companies/ Government. As per policy, the retail outlets are set up based on volume-distance norms. The locations for setting up retail outlet dealerships are included in the Marketing Plans on the basis of feasibility surveys conducted by the oil marketing companies periodically. Prior to the dismantling of the Administered Pricing Mechanism in the petroleum sector w.e.f. 1.4.2002, the Marketing Plans prepared by the oil companies were finalized with the approval of the Government. Cases of violation of guidelines/instructions, if noticed, are dealt with as per rules by the oil companies/Government.